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Applicant : Sunghwa Choe, et al.  
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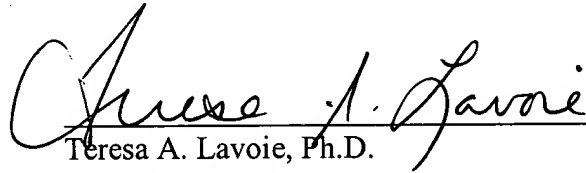
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Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated November 6, 2002, be extended for three months to and including May 6, 2003.

Enclosed is a check for \$465 for the required fee. Please apply any other deficiencies or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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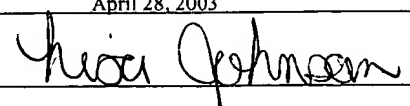
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